

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Loudoun County Board of Supervisors
Public Information Statement Regarding Threats Made Towards
Dominion High School

Members of the Board of Supervisors have been informed by the Sheriff's Office about the non-legitimate threat made on social media toward Dominion High School in Sterling. The Board was advised that a Loudoun County Sheriff's Office School Resource Officer first became aware of comments made on social media late Tuesday evening, May 2, 2017. The Sheriff's Office identified and located the student who posted the comments and determined that there was no actual threat to the school or its students and faculty. As a precaution, firearms that were located in the student's home were removed. As another precaution, additional deputies are scheduled to be on hand at Dominion High School on Wednesday, May 3.

As parents and members of the Loudoun community, we are as concerned as you are about any threats of this nature and we regret that anyone would choose to post comments that unnecessarily raise alarm about the safety of our students. We appreciate that the Sheriff's Office and Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) acted immediately to assure the safety of the school. LCPS has communicated with the parents who are directly impacted. Safety is always a top priority for LCPS, the Sheriff's Office and the Board of Supervisors. We have been reassured by both the Sheriff's Office and LCPS that Dominion High School is safe despite any ongoing speculation and rumors that you may hear about on social media and in the community.

If you are a parent of a student at Dominion High School, you may contact Principal John Brewer@lcps.org.

Sincerely,

Koran T. Saines

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